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SENATE RESOLUTION No. 40

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A SENATE RESOLUTION urging the legislative council to assign to the appropriate study committee the topic of whether courts should be granted the authority to require the subject of a civil protection order to wear a GPS device with victim notification capabilities if it appears from the petition that domestic or family violence has occurred.

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February 23, 2016, read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.



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MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

1 A SENATE RESOLUTION urging the legislative council
2 to assign to the appropriate study committee the topic of
3 whether courts should be granted the authority to require the
4 subject of a civil protection order to wear a GPS device with
5 victim notification capabilities if it appears from the petition
6 that domestic or family violence has occurred.

7 *Whereas, The most recent statistics from the Indiana*
8 *Coalition Against Domestic Violence (ICADV) report that in*
9 *2014 alone, 10,531 individuals were sheltered by ICADV*
10 *programs for a total of 223,328 days;*

11 *Whereas, Furthermore, 15,707 individuals were served by*
12 *ICADV non-residential programs, and 63,761 ICADV crisis*
13 *line calls were received in 2014;*

14 *Whereas, Given the serious nature of domestic and family*
15 *violence on Hoosier men, women, and children, a study should*
16 *be conducted on whether courts should be granted the authority*
17 *to require the subject of a civil order to wear a GPS device with*
18 *victim notification capabilities if it appears from the petition*
19 *that domestic or family violence has occurred; and*



1 *Whereas, It is fitting that a study be conducted on whether*
2 *courts should be authorized to require GPS devices with victim*
3 *notification capabilities for certain individuals to ensure the*
4 *safety and well-being of individuals who have been subject to*
5 *domestic or family violence: Therefore,*

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7 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the*
8 *General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

9 SECTION 1. That the Indiana Senate urges the legislative council
10 to assign to the appropriate study committee the topics of whether
11 courts should be granted the authority to order the use of GPS devices
12 that have broader victim notification capabilities and whether courts
13 should be granted the authority to require the subject of a civil
14 protection order to wear a GPS device with victim notification
15 capabilities if it appears from the petition that domestic or family
16 violence has occurred.

17 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to
18 transmit a copy of this Resolution to the legislative council.

